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14<sup>th</sup> October 2005

Dear Colleague

Please find attached copies of the file formats that are amended as a result of UKL13664 "EU VAT Directive Compliance".

These file formats are being issued for formal representations.

As of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2005 changes in UK Legislation - "Changes to the place of supply of natural gas and electricity" introduced the reverse charge mechanism for natural gas and electricity.

Where a supplier has applied for reverse VAT, their full EU VAT Registration Number is required to be shown on the invoices. The EU VAT Registration number contains the country of registration, e.g GB 123 456 789 00, which when included exceeds the current length of the VAT Registration field.

We are seeking to have the file formats revised from 9 numeric digits and 12 alphanumeric characters to both be uniformly 20 alphanumeric characters, in order to accommodate anticipated combinations of VAT Registration Numbers that may be required in future.

The implementation date for this change is 25<sup>th</sup> March 2006.

Representations regarding the above are invited by 28<sup>th</sup> October 2005.

Regards

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